

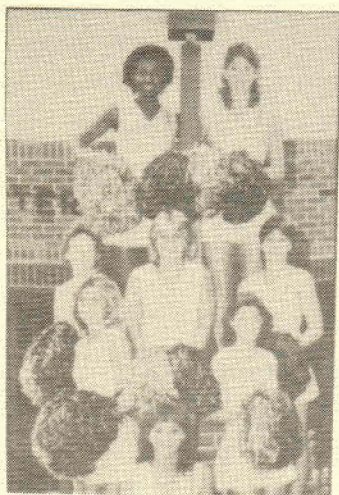
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East Central Community College
Decatur, Mississippi
"THERE'S MORE FOR YOU IN NINETY-FOUR"

ALUMNUS OF THE YEAR PAUL V. BREAZEALE

Mr. Paul Breazeale (Class of 1965) is co-founder and partner in the accounting firm of Breazeale, Saunders and O'Neil, Ltd. in Jackson.

He is a recipient of various honors associated with his chosen profession, including the American Institute of Public Accountants Public Service Award, presented to only six individuals from over 350,000 certified public accountants in the nation. He has also held numerous leadership positions in the national association.

In addition, Mr. Breazeale is a former president of the Mississippi Society of Public Accountants and is a past recipient of the organization's highest honor, its Public Service Award. He also previously served as president of the Central Chapter of the Mississippi Society of Certified Public Accountants.

Mr. Breazeale is a strong supporter of the community college system, evidenced by his leadership roles in various areas. He has been a member of the Mississippi State Board for Community and Junior Colleges since 1989 and currently serves as Board Chairman. The 10-person Board, whose members serve six-year terms, oversees the state's 15 community and junior colleges where enrollment now exceeds 75,000 students. Before being named Chairman, Breazeale served on the Board's Legislative and Finance Committee. Under his leadership, the Board has been successful in guiding passage of various legislative matters, including salary increases for community and junior college personnel. The Board has also been instrumental in helping to provide funds for new construction and needed repairs at various college campuses. His service to education also includes membership on the Mississippi Education Network (EDNET) Board of Directors. The Board is responsible for developing a state-wide wireless educational television system.

On a more local note, Breazeale is also credited with East Central Community College receiving approval to offer the associate degree nursing program which began this fall. He made the motion to approve the measure which easily passed the Board.

His hobbies include the study of early American history. In 1987 he wrote a speech entitled, "An Accountant Looks at the Writing of the U.S. Constitution," which he presented to over 70 schools, churches and civic clubs. As a result of his work in promoting a better understanding of the U.S. Constitution, the Mississippi State Bar Young Lawyers Division presented him with its annual Liberty Bell Award in 1987.

A Philadelphia native, Mr. Breazeale is a 1963 graduate of Neshoba Central High School where he served as student body president. At East Central he was elected sophomore class president and was the recipient of the college's Citizenship Award. He continued his education at Mississippi State University where he received a bachelor's degree in accounting and a master's degree of business administration.

Mr. Breazeale is married to the former Voncile Herrington, also a Philadelphia native and ECCC alumnus. They have two children: Jonathan, 26, a senior cadet at the U.S. Military Academy in West Point, New York; and Emily, 18, a freshman at the University of Mississippi.

ALUMNA OF THE YEAR JANE TODD GURRY

The Rev. Jane Todd Gurry (Class of 1951) has served as Rector of St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Raleigh, North Carolina since 1989. She is also Dean of the Raleigh Convocation of Episcopal Churches in the Diocese of North Carolina. In addition, her work includes service as a steering committee member for Harriet House, a transitional housing program for women ex-offenders and their children.

Prior to her current position at St. Mark's, Mrs. Gurry served as Rector at the Church of Our Savior in Cincinnati, Ohio. She is also a former Associate to the Rector at Christ Church, also located in Cincinnati. She previously resided in Charlotte, North Carolina, serving as Lay Assistant for Education at St. Peter's Episcopal Church; Coordinator for Interparish Education; and Education Minister for Youth and Parish Fellowship at Myers Park Baptist Church.

Her areas of expertise include pastoral counseling, spiritual direction, crisis care with individuals and families; encouraging study and worship as part of life of all working groups as well as scheduled classes in a broad approach to education for ministry; acting as leader/teacher for Church school classes, retreats, short courses in Bible Study, ethics, spiritual and psychological growth; developing, with lay leadership, comprehensive programs for preparation for Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Marriage; and assisting lay leaders in assessing needs, designing and implementing programs in worship, education, pastoral care and leadership training.

Mrs. Gurry actually began her career as an English/history teacher at E.E. Bass Junior High School in Greenville, where she served from 1955-56. She received her call to the ministry after the family had moved to Charlotte, North Carolina. During this period she worked part-time with church youth groups before deciding to enter the ministry.

A Philadelphia native, Mrs. Gurry spent most of her early years in Decatur. Her late father, Dr. L. O. Todd, became president of East Central Community College when she was two years old. Dr. Todd had previously served as superintendent of Philadelphia Public Schools. He served as ECCC president from 1934-1953.

Mrs. Gurry was graduated from Decatur High School and attended East Central Community College where she was a member of the Wesley Foundation, Glee Club, Student Activities Council, Y-Council, drama group, newspaper and yearbook staffs.

She continued her education at the University of Mississippi, where she received a bachelor's degree in English and history. She earned a master's of education degree in guidance and counseling from the University of North Carolina, and a master's of divinity from Virginia Theological Seminary. In addition, she has participated in numerous workshops, training programs and retreats.

She and her husband, Ellis, have three daughters, Elizabeth and her husband, Charles Moss, reside in Hickory, North Carolina, with children Todd, 9, and Kelly Anne, 6. Sara Lynn and her husband, Jack Piquette, reside in Clearwater, Florida, with their children, Katherine Jane, 3, and Jason 1. Helen Gurry is a resident of Durham, North Carolina.

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

CHARLENE JONES BATES

Rated the top women's basketball player in the state her sophomore season, Charlene Jones Bates (Class of 1979) of Forest helped lead Lucille Wood's Lady Warriors to the 1978-79 South Division and State titles and a third place finish in Region 7 (MS-TN-KY) tournament before ending season competition with a 20-9 record.

During the championship campaign, the 6'1" Bates averaged about 20 points and 15 rebounds per game. She was selected All Region, All Region Tournament Team, All State, and was named most valuable player in the annual All Star Classic. Her teammates voted her Permanent Team Co-Captain and she was presented the Earline Wood Memorial Award during the college's Awards Day activities.

There were many memorable games that stand out during Bates' sophomore campaign, but obviously the 79-71 overtime win against visiting Northwest for the State title stands out above the rest.

The Lady Warriors had earlier advanced to the State tournament by defeating Hinds for the South State championship, also held on the Decatur campus. EC began tournament action by knocking off Utica and Gulf Coast.

In first-round competition in the State tourney, East Central upset nationally ranked Coahoma by an 87-82 margin. Bates scored 22 points in the Lady Warrior's surprise victory.

Bates also had a successful freshman season, during which the EC women placed third in state tournament competition, advanced to semi-final action in Region play, and finished with a 17-9 overall mark. Her honors included All Region 7, All Region 7 tournament Team, and All State. She was voted best defensive player by her ECCC teammates.

A product of Forest High School, Bates was heavily recruited by several colleges and universities. She was a three-year All-State and All District performer for Haywood Reeves' Lady Bearcats, and was instrumental in leading Forest to the state finals each season. During her high school career, she averaged about 15 points per game.

Instead of pursuing an athletic career on the senior college level, she chose to marry her high school sweetheart, Terry Bates, also a standout athlete at Forest and East Central. Charlene and Terry are both employed at Sara Lee Bakery in Forest, where she serves as purchasing agent and Terry is production supervisor. They have three children: Christina, 12; Teresa, 8; and Andrew, 2.

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

CHARLIE HOPE

A former All-State quarterback who also excelled in basketball and baseball, Charlie Hope (Class of 1956) came to East Central from College Park, Georgia, where he was a standout athlete at Georgia Military Academy and College Park High School.

Hope, who now resides in Sharpesburg, Georgia, was an All Region quarterback on College Park's 1952 undefeated team. He was also a three-time All Star basketball player, averaging over 21 points per game his senior season. In addition, he was voted team captain and selected most valuable player in the annual All-Star Game. He was also a standout pitcher/first baseman, having been named All Region and honorable mention All State.

After graduating from College Park High School in 1953, Hope attended Prep school at Georgia Military Academy for one year where he lettered in football, basketball and baseball. He served as captain of the basketball team and was chosen All Conference in basketball and baseball. He was voted most athletic for 1954.

At East Central, other honors included being named honorable mention on the Junior College All American Team, in recognition of having earned runner-up honors for most total yards. He was selected second team All State in baseball and also lettered in basketball.

Not only was Hope an outstanding athlete, he was also popular with the student body. He was elected Mr. ECJC and served as a class officer.

He continued his athletic career at Clemson University and was a member of the 1957 team that played against Colorado in the Orange Bowl and the 1959 squad matched against Louisiana State University in the Sugar Bowl. He also served as an assistant coach of the 1959 freshman team, and graduated the following year with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering.

Hope returned to the gridiron in 1960, earning a starting berth for the Atlanta Rebels, the first professional football team in Atlanta, Georgia.

A year later he gave up his career as a player and joined Lakeshore High School, located in College Park, Georgia, where he taught algebra and geometry and was an assistant football coach.

In 1963, Hope left the school business to enter the business world, serving as sales engineer and sales manager to Fowlers Manufacturing Company in Jacksonville, Florida, a company that produces fiberglass corrosion resistant products. Seven years later, he formed Hope Industrial Plastics, Inc., which manufactured the same products. The company was sold to Price Brothers Company in 1982.

Since 1989, he has operated Hope Composites 2000, Inc. in Newnan, Georgia, a company that produces corrosion resistant fiberglass grating and fiberglass pipe.

Hope was previously married to Etteene Taylor of Jacksonville, Florida. They have a daughter, Michele, and a son, Christopher, both of Decatur, Georgia. Christopher is also associated with Hope Composites.

HOMECOMING LUNCHEON

Mabry Memorial Cafeteria

October 15, 1994

12:00 Noon

Mrs. Patsy Dunigan Clark, Alumni President, Presiding

Entertainment	Mrs. Marlan Thornton, Pianist
Invocation	Mrs. Jewell Williams Dunajick, Class of '34
Welcome and Introductions	Dr. Eddie M. Smith, President
Recognition of Homecoming Court	Dr. Eddie M. Smith
Nominating Committee Report and Election of Alumni Officers	Mrs. Patsy Clark
Recognition of Reunion Groups	Dr. Phil Sutphin, Dean of Instruction
Classes Ending in "4"	
Phi Theta Kappa	
1946-47, 1947-48 & 1948-49 Warrior Football Team	
Former Homecoming Queens	
Recognition of Special Alumni	Mr. Troy Brown, Dean of Students
Oldest Alumni Present	
Alumni Traveling the Farthest	
Largest Alumni Family Group Present	
Golf Tournament Winner	Mr. Joe Clark, Golf Coach
Tennis Tournament Winners	Mr. Mike Anderson, Activities Director
Warrior 5K Run/Walk Winners	Mrs. Kelly Bridgman, Cheerleader Sponsor
Presentation of Instructors of the Year Awards	Dr. Phil Sutphin
Presentation of Athletic Hall of Fame Awards	Miss Lucille Wood Mrs. Patsy Clark
Presentation of Lifetime Achievement Award For Athletics	Mr. Sammy Pace
Presentation of Alumna of the Year	Dr. Eddie M. Smith
Presentation of Alumnus of the Year	Dr. Eddie M. Smith
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RECORD OF ALUMNI AWARDS

ALUMNI OF THE YEAR

1964 - B. O. Smith, Louisville
1965 - Lucille Wood, Decatur
1966 - Henry D. Horton, Louisville
1967 - Crowley Alford, Carthage
1968 - W. H. Johnson, Jr., Decatur
1969 - Arthur Winstead, Philadelphia
1970 - Leon Sims, (Deceased)
1971 - Charles Carter, Jackson
1972 - Dr. William L. Weems, Jackson
1973 - Arno Vincent, Meridian
1974 - Elizabeth K. Darby, Philadelphia
1975 - W. C. Spence, Walnut Grove
1976 - John Risher, Philadelphia
1977 - Jessie M. Everett, Decatur
1978 - Class of 1928, (First Class)
1979 - Glenn D. Walker, Union
1980 - Russell Walton, (Deceased)
1981 - Dwight Mulholland, Collinsville
1982 - Denver Brackeen, Union
1983 - Frank Hunter, Brookhaven
1984 - Herman Alford, (Deceased)

1985 - Carl B. Cooper, (Deceased)
Dr. Beverly Oliphant, Washington, D.C.
1986 - Kenneth Madison, Philadelphia
Dr. Pam Kirk, Louisville
1987 - Dr. Brad Tucker, Decatur
Dr. Addie R. Lee, Birmingham, Alabama
1988 - Henry B. Hudspeth, Louisville
Dr. Verbie Prevost, Hixson, Tennessee
1989 - Dr. Eddie M. Smith, Decatur
Dr. Walterine Herrington Bell, Jackson
1990 - Larry Hogue, Jackson
Jo McMullan Taylor, Forest
1991 - Dr. Clyde Muse, Raymond
Lois Blount Cooper, Decatur
1992 - Earl Marshall, Clinton
June Bailey, Biloxi
1993 - Melvin Tingle, Decatur
Patsy Dunigan Clark, Louisville
1991 - Paul V. Breazeale, Jackson
Jane Todd Gurry, Raleigh, NC

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME

1985 - Denver Brackeen, Union
1986 - Lucille Wood, Decatur
1987 - Billy Wayne Baucum, (Deceased)
1988 - Howard Jean Sessums, (Deceased)
1989 - Lamar Blount, Decatur
Arno Vincent, Meridian
Earl Marshall, Clinton
1990 - Jeff Loper, Decatur
Richard Harris, Hickory
Sherrell Ray Marshall, Jackson

1991 - Larry Henderson, Daphne, Alabama
Diana Lyons Jones, Bay Springs
Wayne Tullos, Belle Glade, Florida
1992 - Evelyn Bender, Lawrence
Joe Clark, Decatur
Bert Thompson, (Deceased)
1993 - Esther Thomas Coleman, Louisville
Barbara Jo Davidson Russell, Decatur
Louis Watwood, Arlington, Virginia
1994 - Charlene Jones Bates, Forest
G. Charles Hope, Sharpsburg, GA
Malcolm "Puddin" Jones, (Deceased)

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

1991 - Dr. Austin Bogan, Decatur

1994 - Homer Hunter, Decatur

INSTRUCTORS OF THE YEAR

1982 - Ovid Vickers
1983 - Dr. Shelby Harris
1984 - Jessie M. Everett
1985 - Bruce Guraedy
Al Bailey
1986 - Ann Burkes
O. L. Newell
1987 - Tommy Thrash
Chester Clark
1988 - Dr. Richard Ethridge
John Adcock

1989 - Joe Clark
Larry Blackburn
1990 - Lois McMullan
Wallace Keen
1991 - Tom Carson
Ricky Harrison
1992 - Ron Davis
Lester Miles
1993 - Lucille Wood
Sara Griffin
1994 - Alice Pouncey
Elizabeth Pitts

ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME MALCOLM (PUDDIN') JONES

Probably no one has loved and supported East Central Community College more than Malcolm (Puddin') Jones (Class of 1946) who not only regularly demonstrated his affection for the college until the day he died in 1973, but who also continues to show his support in an "everlasting" way. On his graveyard marker is the inscription: "All-State Tackle 1945, Mississippi Junior College Conference, East Central Junior College." The marker also calls attention to his being a survivor of the Pearl Harbor attack on December 7, 1941.

Jones, who attended East Central from 1944-46, died on June 29, 1973. Accepting the award will be his daughter, Mrs. Merita Cherry of Decatur.

In commenting about her late husband, Mrs. Lottie Patterson of Decatur said East Central "was his life." "He would have fought for the college if needed. He especially loved East Central football," she added.

A 1940 graduate of Philadelphia High School where he also had a standout athletic career, Jones was somewhat delayed in coming to college because of World War II. He served in the Army with the 804th engineers from May 29, 1940, to June, 1945. He was recognized in December, 1971, during the 30-year anniversary of the bombing of Pearl Harbor. Jones was on Oahu Island in the Hawaiian Islands when Pearl Harbor was bombed by the Japanese.

On his return from service, Jones enrolled at East Central where he excelled in football and basketball. He was obviously popular with the student body having been elected a class favorite.

After graduation, Jones worked as a self-employed painter and later joined the East Central staff where he was employed from 1961-1971.

He was instrumental in building the present football field and did most of the work using heavy equipment, at times on weekends with little or no pay.

When Jones' selection to the Athletic Hall of Fame was first announced, many accolades came from former co-workers and admirers:

Huck Graham, columnist for the Neshoba Democrat, remarked: "Puddin' was a good man, the salt of the earth. His legacy is not one of money or other material things. He will always be remembered as someone always helping others. He was just a top-notch person."

ACADEMIC INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

MRS. ALICE POUNCEY

Mrs. Alice Pouncey of Decatur has been a member of the ECCC faculty since 1969, serving as psychology instructor and as director of the Fashion Squad. She also taught home economics for a number of years. In addition to her teaching assignments, Mrs. Pouncey is an advisor to students majoring in elementary education, psychology and home economics.

Prior to beginning her career at East Central Mrs. Pouncey taught at Beatrice (Alabama) and Enterprise high schools.

She has received numerous honors over her 30-year career, including being named district Outstanding Home Economics Teacher of the Year in Alabama. Most recently she was selected East Central's HEADWAE (Higher Education Appreciation Day - Working for Academic Excellence) honoree and was recognized as the college's outstanding instructor for 1993. She has also been chosen as a "Lamplighter" from East Central, a program that each year recognizes outstanding community and junior college instructors.

A graduate of Enterprise High School, Mrs. Pouncey received an associate of arts degree from Jones Junior College, a bachelor of science degree in home economics from the University of Southern Mississippi, and a master's degree in education (social science) at Livingston University. In addition, she has completed 30-plus hours above the master's by taking courses at Auburn University, Mississippi State University and USM.

She is married to Ken Pouncey, Superintendent of Enterprise Public Schools. They have three children: Alicia, a clinical research monitor for Johnson and Johnson Pharmaceutical in New Orleans; Amy, a child care instructor at Copiah-Lincoln Community College; and Nick, a senior at Mississippi State University.

VO-TECH INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR

MRS. ELIZABETH PITTS

Mrs. Elizabeth Pitts, business technology instructor at the college's Bradford J. Tucker Applied Technology Center, has been a member of the ECCC faculty since 1975.

Mrs. Pitts began her teaching career at Southeast Lauderdale High School in Meridian. She also taught at South Leake and Newton High schools before coming to East Central.

A graduate of Union High School, Mrs. Pitts received bachelor's and master's degrees from Mississippi College. She has also completed additional studies at Mississippi State University. In addition, she regularly attends workshops and other training sessions to stay cognizant of changes in the business technology field.

She is married to Horace Pitts and the couple resides in Union. She has two sons: Jeff Breland, a teacher/coach at Louisville High School, and Brad Breland, a teacher/coach at Madison Central High School.

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD HOMER HUNTER

Mr. Homer Hunter, this year's recipient of a Lifetime Achievement Award, is being honored for his almost 60 years of support of the college's athletic programs.

Hunter, a Decatur native, entered the junior class of the old Newton County Agricultural High School, which was then part of East Central Junior College, in the fall of 1934. In 1937 Hunter became manager of the men's basketball team, football team and baseball squad. He remained a student at East Central until he graduated in the spring of 1938.

Other than an 18-month period in 1939 and 1940 when he lived out of the country, he has been present at almost all of the ECCC home football games. Even in those years when the football field was not lighted and games were played in the afternoon, Hunter missed only a few contests.

He has not missed a baseball game in many years, and he cannot remember a home basketball game being played when he did not attend. Even on those nights when he had to work for the Decatur Lions Club in the concession stand, he would take a break from time to time in order to watch parts of the game.

In the fall of 1993 Hunter became ill and was unable to walk. During this period one could find him watching East Central basketball games from his wheelchair situated to the left or right of the north goal. Even though he has endured poor health, he continues to attend East Central's home football games.

For thirty years, Mr. Hunter served as Decatur Postmaster, retiring in August, 1985.

He is married to Ola Carter Hunter, a Neshoba County native, and they recently observed their 50th wedding anniversary. The Hunters have three daughters: Ann Burkes, ECCC head librarian; Sue Greenfield of Ellisville, and Jane Smith of Arlington, Texas. They have four grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

ECCC REPORTS RECORD ENROLLMENT

A record 1482 students registered for the 1994 fall semester, which surpasses the previous record of 1454 students who attended classes last spring.

Included in the record enrollment are 1047 full-time students and 435 who attend on a part-time basis. There are 1002 freshmen on campus compared to 480 sophomores.

An interesting statistic is that 525 of the 1482 students are age 23 or older. There is also a 3 to 2 ratio of female (881) to male (599) students.

Enrollment has steadily increased since 1985, when 819 students registered for classes.

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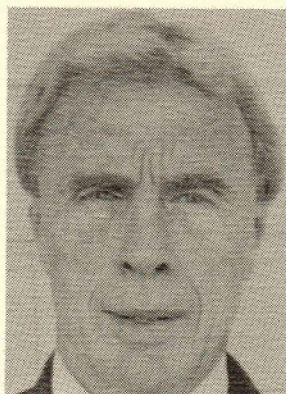
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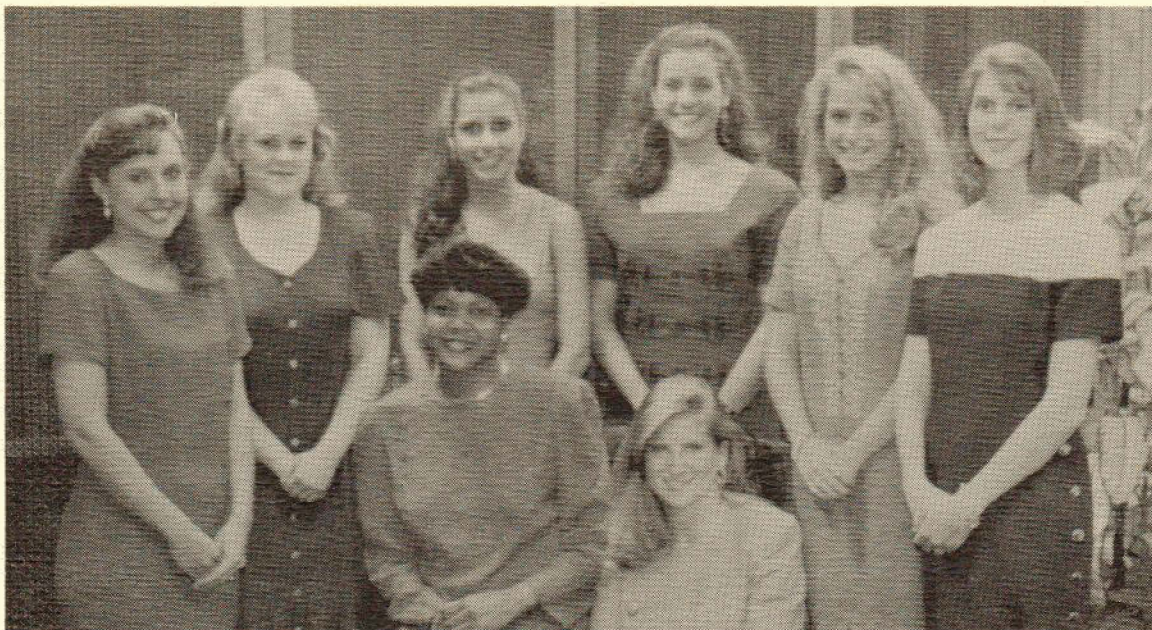
Academic
Instructor of the Year
Alice Pouncey



Vocational-Technical
Instructor of the Year
Elizabeth Pitts



Lifetime Achievement
Award
Homer Hunter
Decatur



HOMEcoming ROYALTY

Members of the 1994 ECCC Homecoming Court include (seated from left) Maid of Honor Kimberley Moore of Philadelphia, Queen Ronda Jones of Forest, and (standing from left) sophomore maids Dawn Sharp of Philadelphia, Monica McManus of Carthage and Michele McAdory of Noxapater, and freshman maids Shannon Harrison of Union and Mandy Goldman and Jill Kirkland, both of Philadelphia.



NJCAA ACADEMIC ALL AMERICANS

These former ECCC student athletes have been named National Junior College Athletic Association Academic All-Americans for the 1993-94 school year. Recipients of the prestigious honor must have lettered in one or more sports recognized by the NJCAA and have an accumulated grade point average of 3.6 or better on a 4.0 scale. Students selected Distinguished Academic All-Americans earn at least a 3.8 GPA. Honorees and their respective sports area include 1994 graduates (from left) Clay Ward of Louisville, basketball; Mark Fanning of Hickory, Jamie Morrow (Distinguished) of Harvey, Louisiana, and Brandon Gray of Philadelphia, all members of the Warrior baseball team; Kim Reel (Distinguished) of Preston, softball; and Carla Leflore of Carthage, basketball. The outstanding group was earlier featured in JUCO REVIEW, the association's national publication.

EC Homecoming Queens

Reunion

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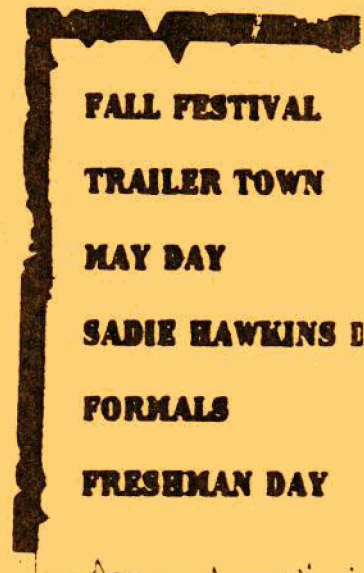
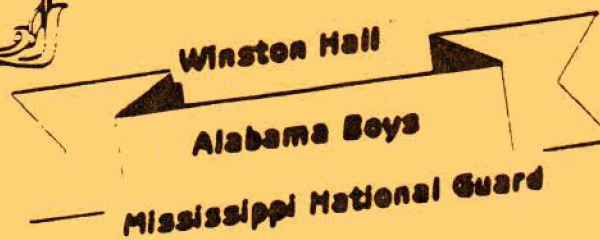
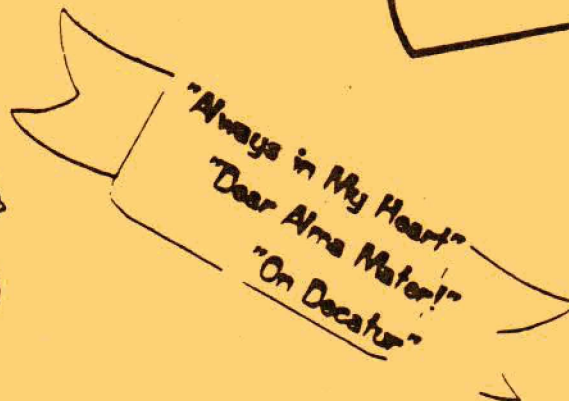
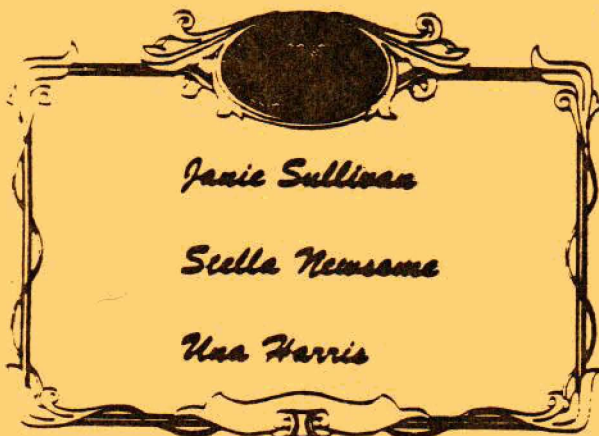
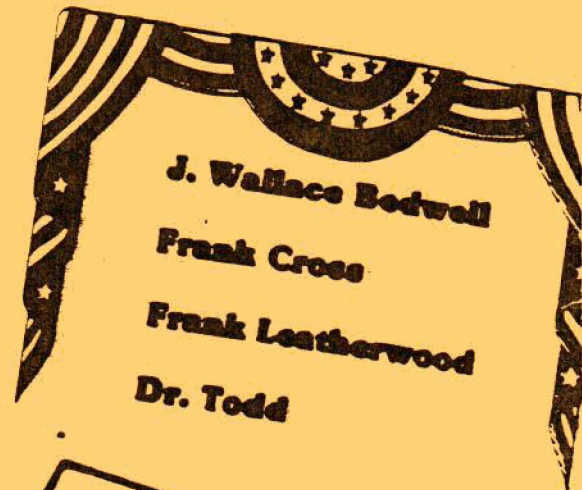


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Football Teams, Homecoming Courts
&
Cheerleaders
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